GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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DISCRIMINATION AGAINST TRIBAL STUDENTS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether tribal students are being discriminated in schools which adversely affects their education;

(b) if so, the details of cases came to the notice of the Government during each of the last three years, State and Union Territory-wise:

(c) whether National Council of Education Research and Training (NCERT) prepared any report in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) to (d) Education being a concurrent subject, school education primarily comes under the preview of State Governments. Information regarding discrimination against tribal student is not centrally maintained in Ministry of HRD. The National curriculum framework, 2005 suggests implementation of a policy of inclusion in all schools. The National Focus Group on "Problems of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Children" set up by NCERT reiterated the need for equitable provision in terms of quality of schooling, educational infrastructure and other facilities, qualified teachers and teaching learning materials for SC/ST children.